Traffic Deaths Mount In State; At Level Here

Queeen Anne's Reports 5 In 1937. Four County Group Ranks High

Keeping its total of motor fatalities in 1937 down to five, Queen Anne's county held to the same level as in 1936 although the traffic toll throughout Maryland rose to the highest figure since such records have been kept in the state.

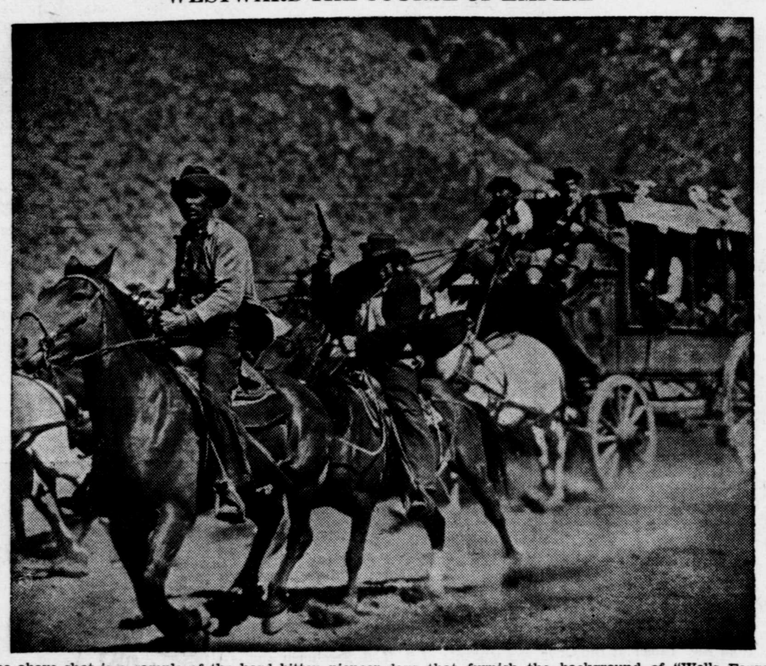
A total of 590 persons were killed in Maryland motor vehicle accidents last year according to a summary issued by Walter R. Rudy, Commissioner of Motor Vehicles. That number was 92 more than the preceding year.

The group of counties including Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline and Talbot had by far the best record of any similar group in the state, only sixteen deaths being reported in this area. Kent with three deaths led all counties with the fewest fatalities, Caroline and Talbot with four each tied for second place along with Calvert in Southern Maryland, and Queen Anne's was in he next slot. Figures for other Eastern Shore counties were Somerset, 10; Dorchester, 12; Worcester, 13; Wicomico, 16; Cecil, 25.

Mr. Rudy again points out that most accidents occur under what are usually considered safe conditions, except that they occur at night. He says, "Most of these accidents resulting in fatalities involved passenger cars with apparently no defects, operated by white males, sober, during the hours of 5 to 6 p. m., and ages of 20 to 29, with five years or more operating experience. Most fatalities occurred during clear weather, on straight, dry roads of macadam construction, and mainly on Sundays and Saturdays. Most of the collisions between two or more vehicles were head-on collisions. In a majority of these cases, improper driving is classed as operating too fast conditions. Most of the pedestrian accidents involved persons in apparently normal condition, and were struck crossing not at an intersection, in other words Jay Walking.

"According to the summary of the 662 operators involved in these fatalities, 257 operators were exonerated from all blame, 84 operators were dismissed, due to the fact that an inguest was deemed unnecessary, 52 operators were held for action of the Grand Jury, and 19 so far have been convicted of Manslaughter. Unfortunately, 31 were Hit-and-Run cases, and as the operators have not been apprehended, there can be no suspension or revocation of their licenses by this office."

WESTWARD THE COURSE OF EMPIRE



The above shot is a sample of the hard bitten pioneer days that furnish the background of "Wells Fargo", epic picture of an epic quarter of a century of American history. The film covers the period from 1844 to 1870, a spread of years during which the railroad ending at Batavia, N. Y., was strung across the country and the Wells route was the lifeline. The nation doubled in size, the Mexican and Civil wars were fought, Oregon was acquired and the California Gold Rush occurred.

It was a period dominated by the hard riding, hard fighting frontiersmen and their courageous women, and the full color and drama of the exciting era finds its portrayal in the film which is shown at the Queen Theatre every evening next week except Monday.

Proceedings of the Orphans' Court

The Orphans' Court met Tuesday in regular session with Chief Judge Henry H. Evans and Judges Palmer C. Pippin and Dr. J. W. Stack present.

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The paper writing purporting to be the will of Ella N. Warner which was filed and to which notice of caveat was filed the same day was produced before the Court for probate. Due notice having been served on the caveators and no caveat having been filed the paper writing was admitted as the true will. Letters testamentary on the estate of Ella N. Warner were granted to M. Grace Rambo and Elva W. Bilbrough. No warrant to appraise was deemed necessary.

Inventories on the personal property and real estate of Jerre Godwin filed by Robert C. Godwin administrator, were passed. Order for sale of personal property of Jerre Godwin filed by Robert C. Godwin was passed.

Light is a prime tool of the interior decorator. Light can alter the apparent shape of a room, can dramatize an ornament, can emphasize the horizontal or vertical division of wall space.

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LAUNDRY --- DRY CLEANING

CHESTER

Miss Catherine Kirwan, a student of Eaton-Burnett Business College, returned to Baltimore Monday, after being sick at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Kirwan. She is now under the care of her specialst, Dr. Edward A. Looper. Her grandfather, Senator James E. Kirwan was in Baltimore Wednesday, and is also a patient of Dr. Looper.

Mr. and Mrs. James Abbott and children Dot and Whitefield, of Baltimore, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Coleman. We are glad to report Mrs. Coleman is improving after being very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Jones and Mr. Marion Brown and son Lofton, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Carville Tolson, Jr,

Mrs. Lee Bell, Mrs. Lemuel Kirwan and Miss Reba Coleman were visitors in Easton last week.

Miss Dorothy Jones, of Washington College, spent the week-end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. Jones.

Mrs. Sadie E. Jones spent last week with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Morris, of Centreville.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Holland spent Sunday evening with Miss Julia Legg.

Rev. James F. Langrall and Mr. Jacob Gardner were visitors in Easton last Wednesday and Friday evening. Rev. Langrall was Mr. Gardner's dinner guest

Miss Myrtle Coleman and sister Lydia, of Baltimore, and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Buschmann and son Milton, were week-end guests of their mother, Mrs. Joseph Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. William Harris and son Billy, were guests Sunday of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Thompson, of Church Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Harris, of Matapeake, and daughter, Mrs. Willard Jones, of Grasonville, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Lewis. Their mother, Mrs. Deborah Harris is very sick at this writing.

Mrs. Lee Bell spent Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. Charles E. Snyder, of Stevensvlile.

Mrs. Estelle Thompson and son Adrian have returned home after a week's visit with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coursey, of Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Elburn and Mr. and Mrs. George Urie were visitors in Clayton, Del., last Sunday and on Tuesday Mrs. Urie had as her guests Miss Imogene Porter and Miss Evelyn and Helen Quimby, of Matapeake.

Mrs. William Sewell has returned home from Easton Hospital after being a patient there for some time. Her many friends with her a speedy recovery.

Miss Isabel Baxter has returned home after spending some time in Baltimore with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Collier, of Salisbury, were week-end guests of her mother, Mrs. S. G. Jones.

Miss Eva Chance is spending some time in Baltimore with her relatives and friends.

Miss Evelyn Write, Miss Selma Wurzel, and Miss Ann Hollingsworth, of Washington College were week-end guests of Miss White's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter White, of Stevensville.

Mrs. Leonard Brown, Mrs. Percy W. Thomas, Mrs. Austin Jones and daughter Reba and little Lofton Brown, spent Thursday with Mrs. Myrtle Warner, of Matapeake.

Miss Vernice Seward, a nurse at Eas-Hospital is spending some time in Baltimore with her father, who is very sick in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Coleman, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Thompson, and Miss Myrtle Coleman were visitors at Easton Emergenccy Hospital last Sunday to see Miss Pearl Mae Thompson, who is a patient.

Miss Mary Elmyra Sparks spent Friday with Miss Mary Catherine Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Pharis Morris and mother, Mrs. Maggie Morris, of Centreville, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Sewell.

BUSIC

Mr. and Mrs. Owen Cohey, of Ridgely, spent Thursday evening with Miss Evelyn Hobbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ware and children, Amby, Charles and Phyllis, visited Mr. and Mrs. William Ware, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Baynard Thompson and daughter, Peggy; Mr and Mrs. Chester Supers and Mr. Elmer Ware, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Bowers and children Lavinia. Junior and Kenneth, spent the week in Rocksdale, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thompson, of Henderson, visited Miss Mazie Hall, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Hobbs, Miss Mary Anna Jones, and Mr. Phearson Hobbs, of Linwood, Pa.., spent Sunday with Mr. James Hobbs.

Miss Frances Biddle spent Thursday evening with Miss Nettie Ware.

Mr. Clifton Everett spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thompson.

Miss Annie Huggins spent Thursday and Friday with Miss Mazie Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Brown, Miss Mae Thompson and Mr. Medford Thompson spent Wednesday in Centreville.

Miss Nettie Ware spent Wednesday evening with Miss Eleanor Starkey.

Mrs. Arinie Hall visited Mrs. Pedrl Ware, Thursday.

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Mr. Owen Towers, of near Centreville, was the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Towers.

The many friends of Mrs. Lawrence Wood are sorry to learn of her illness. Mrs. Wood was taken to the hospital for an operation. She is suffering with gall trouble.

Miss Edna DeLacy was the Sunday guest of friends near Willoughby.

The farmers in this section are busily engaged in cutting their winter wood.

CRUMPTON

Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Walls attended the State Fair at Harrisburg, Pa., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walls spent the last Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McGinnis.

The Homemakers' Club met with Mrs. Alday Emerson on Wednesday afternoon. A goodly number was in attendance.

Mr. Walter Smith and Mr. Karl Rubsamen left for Florida Tuesday. They are hoping to return with produce.

Mr. Leland Wilds, of Middletown, Del., spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wills, of Newark, Del., visited with Mrs. Wills' parents, Rev. and Mrs. D. E. Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Coleman attended a dinner party at Chester, Pa., on Thursday.

Mrs. Robinson and son Billy, of Chester, Pa., visited with Mrs. Robinson's parents, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otley, of Philadelphia, spent the week-end at their summer home, "Pine Forest", near town.

Mr. Wesley Walls, of Collingswood, N. J.., spent Sunday with his parents here.

Miss Betty Coleman spent Saturday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs.. Fred Stevens visited relatives in Smyrna, Del., on Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Bowers is presenting a drama at Kennedyville.

PRICE

The services of Bethany Church for Sunday, January 30th, will be Sabbath School at 1:30 p. m., followed by preaching at 2:30 oclock by the pastor, Rev. W. L. Beckwith. The members of the Official Board will hold an important business meeting on Tuesday evening, February 1st at the home of H. Elliott Brown, President of the board of Stewards. All members are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Dulin, of Chester, Pa., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Briscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Milton Cecil were visitors in Harrisburg, Pa., last week, where they attended the Pennsylvania State Fair and Agriculture Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Price, of Chestertown, were guests on Friday of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Price.

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